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1. POL COUNSELOR REVIEWED ANGOLAN SITUATION NOV 11 WITH AMB LEONARDO DIAZ GONZALEZ, FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL POLICY. POL COUNSELOR MADE POINTS CONTAINED REFTEL CONCERNING QUESTION OF RECOGNITION.

2. DIAZ GONZALEZ, WHO DISPLAYED CONSIDERABLE FAMILIARITY WITH CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS IN ANGOLA, STATED THAT ALTHOUGH IT IS A CARDINAL POLICY OF THE GOV TO ENTER INTO RELATIONS WITH ALL LEGALLY-CONSTITUTED GOVTS, THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA IS SO UNCERTAIN THAT THE GOV BELIEVES IT WOULD BE QUITE PREMATURE TO RECOGNIZE THE MPLA OR IN FACT ANY OTHER MOVEMENT AT THIS TIME. THE GOV AGREES WITH THE US ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION WITH RESPECT TO TERRITORIAL/POPULATION CONTROL, AND THE GOV INTENDS TO PUT OFF RECOGNITION UNTIL A GOVT CAN BE ESTABLISHED WHICH CONTROLS ALL TERRITORY AND POPULATION OF ANGOLA. DIAZ GONZALEZ ASSURED POL COUNSELOR GOV WILL MAKE NO HASTY MOVE TOWARD RECOGNIZING THE MPLA AS THE GOVT OF ANGOLA.

3. DIAZ GONZALEZ SAID THERE IS CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN VENEZUELA
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IN WHAT IS HAPPENING IN ANGOLA, AND THAT THE GOV HAS AGREED

TO LET A LIMITED NUMBER OF REFUGEES FROM ANGOLA AND ALSO FROM
MOZAMBIQUE ENTER VENEZUELA AS IMMIGRANTS.
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